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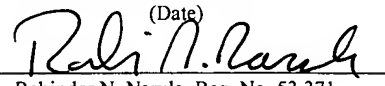
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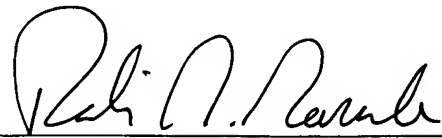
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Dear Sir:

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NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF ENTITLEMENT TO
SMALL ENTITY STATUS 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b)

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby notifies the Patent and Trademark Office that it is no longer entitled to status as a small entity and that the claim for small entity status set forth in the verified statement filed on October 17, 2003 is hereby withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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